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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Yasuhiro SHIMADA et al.

Application No.: 09/819,669

Filed: March 29, 2001

For: ELECTRON OPTICAL SYSTEM ARRAY,
METHOD OF FABRICATING THE SAME,
CHARGED PARTICLE BEAM EXPOSURE
APPARATUS, AND DEVICE
MANUFACTURING METHOD

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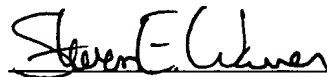
Applicants have received a Notice of Allowance and Notice of Allowability dated October 28, 2003, in the above-identified application. Applicant filed a Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement on August 7, 2003, prior to issuance of the Notice of Allowance and Notice of Allowability on October 28, 2003. To date, those papers have not been considered. Accordingly, Applicants request that the Examiner consider the material submitted in the Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 7, 2003, by returning a copy of the initialed PTO-1449 form attached to that Information Disclosure Statement. Attached, for the Examiner's convenience, are copies of the Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, the

PTO-1449 form, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office date stamped postcard receipt indicating the filing of those papers on that date.

Applicants believe that no fees should be incurred in connection with filing this paper. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205, should any fees be associated herewith. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address listed below.

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